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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: CLERIDES' CONCERN ON TURKISH POSITION ON VAROSHA

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1. IN THE CONVERSATION REPORTED REFTEL, CLERIDES SPOKE WITH WARM APPROVAL OF THE POSITION ECEVIT HAS TAKEN TO PRESENT A NEW CONSTITUTIONAL PROPOSAL AND A TERRITORIAL POSITION, INCLUDING MAP, TO BREAK THE IMPASSE AND PERMIT AN EARLY RESUMPTION OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.

2. CLERIDES HAD, HOWEVER, ONE SERIOUS CONCERN. HE SAID WE SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IN THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS/ NATIONAL COUNCIL (CM/NC) HARDLINERS FAR OUTNUMBER MODERATES. HE DESCRIBED THE HARDLINERS AS THOSE WHO THINK US, WALDHEIM AND ECEVIT ARE PLAYING A CONJURER'S GAME TO CREATE AN APPEARANCE OF PROGRESS IN ORDER TO LIFT THE ARMS EMBARGO AND PASS THE DCA. THIS MAJORITY IS DISPOSED TO REJECT EVENTUAL TURKISH TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL, IN
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ORDER THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS NOT LEND THEMSELVES TO THE DECEPTION, IF THERE IS A PEG ON WHICH TO HANG REJECTION.

3. CLERIDES SAID VAROSHA (NEW FAMAGUSTA) COULD BE THAT PEG. HE BELIEVES THAT IF THE FIRST TURKISH PROPOSAL SHOWS VAROSHA AS REMAINING WITHIN THE TURKISH ZONE WITH NO HINT THAT IT CAN BE NEGOTIATED, GOC WILL TURN DOWN

THE PROPOSAL WITHOUT EXPLORATION.

4. I ASKED WHAT REACTION CLERIDES ANTICIPATED IN THE EVENT TURKISH SIDE SHOWED VAROSHA AS REMAINING IN ITS REGION IN THE FIRST MAP BUT ACCOMPANIED THIS BY A STATED WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER TURNING IT INTO A FEDERAL ZONE, THEREBY SUGGESTING THAT THE FUTURE OF THE CITY IS NEGOTIABLE. CLERIDES DOUBTED THIS WOULD BE GOOD ENOUGH BUT THOUGHT IT BETTER THAN NOTHING. HE REITERATED HIS BELIEF THAT THE BALANCE OF FORCES AND SENTIMENT ON THE GREEK SIDE IS SUCH THAT IT MIGHT BE BETTER FOR TURKS TO OPEN WITH A STATEMENT ON PERCENTAGE AND AVOID A MAP ALTOGETHER IF VAROSHA COULD NOT BE CEDED.

5. CLERIDES ASKED THAT I CONVEY HIS PERSONAL CONCERN TO SECRETARY VANCE.

6. COMMENT: I THINK CLERIDES' POINT IS WELL TAKEN. SECRETARY MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ALLUDING TO THIS IN HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH ECEVIT BOTH AS A PRECAUTION AND TO PROBE HIS INTENTIONS.
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